

## ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. On January 4, 1995, the Chair enunciated a clear policy concerning the conduct of electronic votes. Under that policy the House was able to avoid the unnecessary loss of time in conducting its business by striving to close each electronic vote as soon as possible after the minimum time guaranteed by the rules. After consultation with the minority leader, the Chair has concluded that this policy bears reaffirmation.

As Members are aware, the rules of the House establish 15 minutes as the minimum time for electronic voting in the ordinary case and 5 minutes as the minimum time for electronic voting in other cases where Members are already in or near the Chamber in response to an earlier vote. With the cooperation of the Members, an electronic vote can be completed within the minimum time allotted under the rules.

Today the Chair asks all Members to join in mutual rededication to the policy of closing electronic votes as soon as possible after the minimum time guaranteed by the rule. Where the minimum time guaranteed by the rule is 15 minutes, occupants of the chair will endeavor to close votes after no more than 17 minutes. Where the minimum time guaranteed by the rules is 5 minutes, occupants of the chair will endeavor to close votes after no more than 6 minutes.

Members have appreciated and cooperated with the Chair's strict enforcement of this policy in the past. The Chair encourages all Members to depart for the Chamber promptly upon the appropriate bell and light signal. As in recent Congresses, the Cloakroom should not forward to the Chair requests to hold a vote by electronic device but should simply apprise inquiring Members of the time remaining on the voting clock. Members should not rely on signals related from outside the Chamber to assume that votes will be held open until they arrive in the Chamber.

Although no occupant of the chair will prevent a Member who is visible to the Chair before the announcement of the result from casting or changing his or her vote, each occupant of the chair will have the full support of the Speaker in striving to close each electronic vote at the earlier opportunity.

## PRINTING OF PROCEEDINGS HAD DURING RECESS

Mr. NEUMANN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the proceedings had during the recess be printed in the RECORD.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Wisconsin?

There was no objection.

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The SPEAKER. The Chair will recognize 10 Members on each side for 1 minutes.

## HARLEY-DAVIDSON CELEBRATES 95TH ANNIVERSARY

(Mr. NEUMANN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. NEUMANN. Mr. Speaker, the Harley-Davidson Company is gearing up for its 95th anniversary celebration, and I would like to take this opportunity to express my admiration for this outstanding Wisconsin company. Great Wisconsinites, like Green Bay Packer Coach Mike Holmgren, drive Harley bikes; I believe the coach has been seen around the State in a Heritage Softail.

Harley Davidson is a company that I have long admired for its commitment to quality, its dedication to treating both customers and employees like the valuable commodities they are. I believe for this reason that Harley Davidson inspires a loyalty that we see too rarely in American-made products in this day and age. The company has come a long ways from its humble beginnings in 1903, but it has never lost its vision of the American dream, and continues to excel in both domestic and international marketplaces.

Harley-Davidson is also a major contributor to the welfare of communities it is a part of. For example, Harley is a Wisconsin sponsor of the Tour de Cure an annual bike ride for American Diabetic Association. The company also contributes a portion of its corporate earnings each year for the Harley-Davidson Foundation which oversees charitable donation of groups like Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts.

For this reason, I want to be among those who are standing up saying, "Happy Birthday, Harley-Davidson, and keep up the good work."

## INTRODUCTION OF H.R. 3652, THE ETHERIDGE SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION ACT

(Mr. ETHERIDGE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. ETHERIDGE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to call on this House to pass common sense legislation to help our States and communities build modern, safe school facilities for our children.

Across the country, students rejoice as another school year comes to an end. On Friday I had the opportunity to attend the high school graduation for my son David. It was one of my proudest moments as a father. But as a former superintendent of my State schools, I also know firsthand that too many of our children are forced to attend classes in trailers or closets and bathrooms and unsafe, overcrowded classrooms, and I call on this Congress to pass legislation before the start of the next school year to build new schools, relieve the overcrowding and reduce class sizes.

I have introduced legislation, H.R. 3652, that will create \$7.2 billion in

school construction bonds for States and localities that are suffering under the strain of overcrowded schools. Forty-eight Members of this House have already signed on from 15 different States, and I call on other colleagues to join me to address this urgent need. Many different organizations have joined, and I challenge others to join us.

Mr. Speaker, an investment in our schools is an investment in our children and an investment in our Nation's future.

## THE CHILD PROTECTION AND SEXUAL PREDATOR PUNISHMENT ACT

(Ms. DUNN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks and include therein extraneous material.)

Ms. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to encourage my colleagues to send a strong message to those who would prey on innocent children over the Internet. Make no mistake, these sex crimes against children will not be tolerated.

This week the House will consider the Child Protection and Sexual Predator Punishment Act introduced by the gentleman from Florida (Mr. MCCOLLUM) and myself. This legislation is for moms and dads throughout the country who are doing everything they can to keep their children safe and innocent but cannot control the pedophiles cruising the Internet.

In this age of ever expanding technology, pedophiles are increasingly using the anonymity of the Internet to pose as minors and befriend vulnerable children who are unknowingly lured into very dangerous situations.

That is why the McCollum-Dunn bill is so critical to families across America. This legislation helps law enforcement crack down on pedophiles who no longer offer candy to unsuspecting children on the playground but now offer companionship to children through the Internet chat room. This bill tells sexual predators that the Information Superhighway is not a detour for deviant behavior, it is a dead end.

Mr. Speaker, I encourage my colleagues to support this legislation.

## HOPE FOR DEMOCRACY IN CHINA COULD TURN TO DESPAIR IF THE PRESIDENT STANDS WITH COMMUNISTS IN TIANANMEN SQUARE

(Mr. TRAFICANT asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. TRAFICANT. Mr. Speaker, the President said if China wants a ceremony in Tiananmen Square, so be it; it is not my place to make demands on Communist China.

Unbelievable. When the leader of the free world stands with Communists on